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SUBJECT: EC-9 MINISTERIAL--EC AND U.S./EC ISSUES

BEGIN SUMMARY: NOV 20 EC-9 MINISTERIAL AT COPENHAGEN

APPROVED EC IDENTITY PAPER WHICH WILL BE PUBLISHED

BY FOREIGN MINISTERS ON THE MARGINS OF THE EC SUMMIT.

THE MINISTERS ALSO REACHED OVERALL AGREEMENT ON SUMMIT

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FORMAT AND ISSUES TO BE DISCUSSED. U.S./EC DECLARATION

REPORTEDLY NOT DISCUSSED IN SUBSTANCE BUT MINISTERS AGREED THIS REVISED EC DRAFT WILL BE TRANSMITTED EARLY THIS WEEK TO WASHINGTON FOLLOWING PERM REPS' MEETING ON ECONOMIC PARAS. DANES WILL ALSO INQUIRE WHETHER THE SECRETARY WISHES TO DISCUSS DECLARATIONS ON THE MARGINS OF NATO MINISTERIAL. CSCE AND MIDEAST BEING COVERED BY SEPTELS. NEXT POLITICAL COMMITTEE MEETING TENTATIVELY SLATED FOR DEC 6. END SUMMARY

1. EC IDENTITY. AS INDICATED IN LONDON 13717, MINISTERS APPROVED EC IDENTITY PAPER, SUBJECT TO A FEW REMAINING BRACKETS TO BE RESOLVED BEFORE DEC 14-15 COPENHAGEN SUMMIT. PAPER IS ESSENTIALLY AS REPORTED IN BONN 16188; IRISH AGREED TO REMOVE BRACKETS ON DEFENSE PARAS IN THE INTEREST OF COMMUNITY AGREEMENT WHILE NOTING THEIR SPECIAL POSITION ON THE MATTER. WE UNDERSTAND FOREIGN MINISTERS PLAN TO PUBLISH THE PAPER ON THE MARGINS OF THE COPENHAGEN SUMMIT. THE PAPER IS CONSIDERED TO BE A FIRST STATEMENT ON EC IDENTITY, WHICH IS SUBJECT TO REVISION IN THE LIGHT OF FUTURE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENTS.

2. U.S./EC DECLARATION. OUR SOURCE SAYS THE MINISTERS DID NOT DISCUSS THIS ISSUE IN SUBSTANCE BUT DID ASK THE DANES TO SOUND OUT WASHINGTON ON WHETHER SECRETARY KISSINGER WOULD WISH TO DISCUSS THE MATTER JUST BEFORE OR AFTER THE DEC NATO MINISTERIAL. WHILE AN INITIAL TOUR DE TABLE INDICATED THAT SOME EC-9 FOREIGN MINISTERS WOULD HAVE SCHEDULING DIFFICULTIES, THERE WAS A READINESS ON THE PART OF NINE FOREIGN MINISTERS TO ARRANGE SUCH A MEETING IF THE SECRETARY WISHED TO PROCEED IN THIS MANNER. OUR SOURCE SAID THE MINISTERS ASKED THE DANES TO FORWARD THE REVISED EC DRAFT TO WASHINGTON EARLY THIS WEEK FOLLOWING EC PERM REPS' MEETING.

3. FONOFF SOURCE SAID MINISTERS AGREED THAT EC SUMMIT FORMAT WOULD BE "FIRESIDE CHAT" OF THE NINE HEADS OF STATE OR GOVERNMENT. MINISTERS WOULD PARTICIPATE IN FIRST HOUR OF SUMMIT SESSION DEC 14 AND WOULD THEN HOLD THEIR OWN MEETINGS PARALLEL TO SUMMIT DISCUSSIONS.
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MINISTERS WOULD JOIN CHIEFS OF STATE AND GOVERNMENT AGAIN FOR THE LAST COUPLE OF HOURS ON THE AFTERNOON OF DEC 15. THIS SCENARIO REPRESENTS COMPROMISE BETWEEN FRENCH DESIRE FOR STRICTLY SUMMIT AGREEMENT AND WISH OF GERMANS AND BENELUX STATES TO HAVE FOREIGN MINISTERS PARTICIPATE. MINISTERS AGREE THAT FORMAT OF SUMMIT SHOULD BE AS INFORMAL AS POSSIBLE WITH A MINIMUM OF PREPARATION. SUCH "GENERAL ORIENTATION" AS EMERGES
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WILL BE REVEALED IN SUMMARY GIVEN BY DANISH
CHARIMAN. IF NECESSARY, A PRESS DECLARATION ALSO WILL
BE ISSUED.

4. AS TO SUBJECT MATTER, THERE WILL BE NO FIRM AGENDA
BUT DISCUSSIONS ARE LIKELY TO FOCUS ON THREE GENERAL
GROUPS OF TOPICS, UNDER THE RUBRICS OF A) INSTITUTIONS,
B) FOREIGN POLICY, AND C) COMMUNITY PROBLEMS. THE
INSTITUTIONAL TOPIC WILL ADDRESS FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR
REGULAR SUMMIT MEETINGS AND CRISIS MANAGEMENT ARRANGE-
MENTS. THE NINE CHIEFS ALSO WILL CONSIDER SUGGESTION
OF CHANCELLOR BRANDT AND ITALIANS THAT THE REPORT ON
EUROPEAN UNION TO BE PREPARED BEFORE THE END OF 1975
BY THE INSTITUTIONS OF THE COMMUNITY (PURSUANT TO PARA
16 OF 1972 PARIS SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE) SHOULD BE COMPLETED
INSTEAD BY THE END OF 1974. ON FOREIGN POLICY,
OUR SOURCE SAID THE MAIN SUBJECTS ARE LIKELY TO BE THE
MIDEAST, TRANSATLANTIC RELATIONS IN THE LARGER SENSE
AND EAST/WEST RELATIONS. AS TO COMMUNITY PROBLEMS,
THE SUMMIT IS LIKELY TO EXAMINE HOW .TIME TABLES
FIXED AT THE 1972 SUMMIT HAVE BEEN FULFILLED AND HOW
BEST TO PROCEED IN THE FUTURE. WE ARE TOLD THAT JOBERT
ALSO REQUESTED DISCUSSION OF ENERGY POLICY.
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